

FAIRMONT, 50,000 POPULATION, WITHIN FIVE YEARS

RAISING FUNDS FOR RELIEF OF FLOOD SUFFERERS

Mayor Bowen And Local
Red Cross Are Act -
ing.

OVER \$200 TO START

Committee to Take Charge
of Movement to be An-
nounced.

Relief funds for the victims of the
astounding flood which last week swept
the southern portion of West Virginia
are being raised in Fairmont and al-
ready more than two hundred dollars for
this purpose has been raised. Mayor
Bowen and the local Red Cross
society have taken the matter up and
a meeting was held this afternoon at
which the details of the plan for se-
curing local subscriptions were com-
pleted.

The call of Governor Hatfield for
a \$20,000 relief fund for the eight
thousand people in Cabin Creek and
Coal River regions who are homeless
and without funds or food, will be
substantially aided by the contribu-
tions from this city. If the subscrip-
tions continue come in as readily as
they began.

Mayor Bowen Saturday received
two contributions of \$100 each from
C. W. Watson and J. H. Wheel-
wright. Other smaller subscriptions
have been promised and when the or-
ganization of the local relief com-
mittee is completed today it is plan-
ned to thoroughly canvass the city
for prospective contributors.

Mayor Bowen will be assisted in
the work by the members of the local
Red Cross society and the two local
newspapers. All the contributions
will be reported in the papers and in
addition to the soliciting committee
of Red Cross members those who de-
sire may leave contributions at edito-
rial office of the Fairmont Times or
the West Virginian.

All of the contributed funds will go
to the treasury committee which is
to be named at the meeting this eve-
ning and will be forwarded immedi-
ately to the proper authorities in the
stricken district.

Mayor's Proclamation
Mayor Bowen today issued the fol-
lowing proclamation:

Fairmont is ever ready and will-
ing to aid and assist the desti-
tute and needy.

Today on Cabin Creek and Seng
Creek in the southern part of our
state almost 1,000 families are
homeless. The result of having
their houses washed away in a
severe cloud burst. Immediate
relief is necessary.

A citizen's meeting Saturday af-
ternoon appointed me, as Mayor
of this city, to head a committee
of relief. I shall appoint a work-
ing committee at once. In the
meantime I hereby proclaim this
state of need and call upon our
citizens for such assistance as
they may give to this purpose.

The committee will make some
solicitation, but it will of course,
be impossible to reach all of our
citizens, and as a part of this com-
mittee I hereby appoint each of
the daily newspapers and author-
ize them to receive cash dona-
tions. Donations may also be left
with me at the Mayor's Office.

The committee on solicitation
will be announced later.

Witness my hand this 14th
day of August, 1916.

ANTHONY BOWEN,
MAYOR.

**The Cooler Weather
Checks Child Plague**

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—The epidem-
ic of infantile paralysis took a
turn for the better today. The number
of new cases reported to the health
department went down from the one hundred
mark for the first time in several
weeks.

During the 24 hours ended at ten
a. m. the plague killed 31 children
and 95 new cases reported. This com-
pares favorably with yesterday's
figures when there were 14 new cases
and 22 fatalities. The falling off in
new cases is attributed to cooler
weather.

**Sold Ground Hair And
Rubber in Sausage**

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Aug. 14.—A merchant in
Hamburg has been fined 2,000 marks
for one of the most remarkable offenses
yet recorded against the pure food
law. A "live sausage" sold by him
for two marks and twenty pfennings
the pound was found on analysis to
contain macerated rubber, fine ground
hair and gelatin. There was neither
liver nor other flesh nor fats in the
sausage.

FATE OF TURKISH EMPIRE HINGES ON THE COMING BATTLE



One of the most decisive battles of
the war—a battle on which the fate
of the Turkish empire depends—must
soon be fought somewhere near Kharp-
put, Asia Minor, according to war ex-
perts.

The Russians are approaching the
town of Kharpput on the Angora-Sivas-
Diarbekr-Mosul-Bagdad line, from two
directions, from the north in the Er-
zincan region and from the east along
the Euphrates valley.

If the Russians take Kharpput they
will be able, it is figured, to take Diar-

bekr, Nisibin, Mosul and, eventually,
Bagdad. And if Bagdad falls Mesop-
otamia will be lost, armies captured
and the Turkish empire will cease to
be an empire.

Kharpput is about three-fourths of the
way from Sivas to Diarbeka. The
road from Erzurum meets the road
from Kharpput near Zinar, about half
way between Kharpput and Sivas. It
is somewhere in this immediate vicin-
ity that the Turks must resist and
counter attack.

The map shows (1) Kharpput (2)
Sivas, (3) Bagdad, (4) Angora.

**WILSON TRYING
TO AVERT STRIKE
ON RAILROADS**

May Propose Arbitration by
Special Board of Arbi-
trators.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Railroad
managers and brotherhood leaders
deadlocked in negotiations which
threatened nation wide railroad strike,
today laid their case before President
Wilson.

First came 35 representatives of
the Brotherhoods who conferred with
President Wilson after 10 o'clock.
They were followed by a committee
of managers.

The Brotherhood men went into the
conference firm in their determination
not to accept an arbitration under the
Newland's law, which they contend
has always furnished arbitration
with whom the men did not have an
unprejudiced opportunity.

There were some indications that the
President, recognizing that view,
might propose a special arbitration
before a board of 12 members on
which the Brotherhoods could be rep-
resented.

The President's plan was to appeal
to managers and men on highest prin-
ciple ground to find a way to com-
promise their indifference without a strike.

The first development of the day
was a declaration by A. B. Garretson,
speaking for the Brotherhood, that
the men were through with arbitrat-
ing under the Newland's law. Previ-
ous arbitrations, he said, had demon-
strated that neutral arbitration held
the balance of power. He declared
that any special arbitration into
which the men might agree to enter
would have to make provisions to give
the men what they considered a fair
chance. Officially he said the Broth-
erhood had no knowledge of Secre-
tary Tumulty's flying trip to New York
nor of the message he carried from the
President.

"The chief objection to the exist-
ing form of arbitration on part of the
Brotherhoods," said Mr. Garretson,
"centers on the difficulty that has
been experienced in selecting neu-
tral arbitrators who could do justice
to the cause of the men. No matter
how honest their intentions they could
not bring to bear the questions at is-
sue. The appointment of neutrals in
the past under the provisions of the
Newland's act have damned arbitra-
tions as to practical proposition in
the minds of the men."

The President's conference with the
men was opened with a statement by
Mr. Garretson, as spokesman. He out-
lined the demand for an eight-hour
day and a time and half for overtime,
insisting they were fair. President
Wilson then addressed the men, point-

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**What's Going on In
Home of the Picts?**

(By Associated Press.)
GLASGOW, Aug. 14.—The whole
of Scotland north of the Caledonian can-
nal has been declared a special mili-
tary area and no person is permitted
to enter the area without permission
from the commandant. The order
keeps out tourists who are advised to
visit other parts of Scotland.

DOES AGAIN IN TROUBLE.

Two more of the numerous Doe
family that frequently figure in the
Mannington police records were be-
fore Mayor Beatty of that town this
morning, these were Joe Doe and Harry
Doe. Ed. Shriver and Frank Hen-
derson were also arrested Saturday
night. All of the men were drunk
and forfeited money to the city.

TRYING TO PREVENT TYPHOID OUTBREAK

State Sanitary Engineer Be-
gins Work in Flooded
District.

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLESTON, Aug. 14.—The Rev.
James Crabtree who was injured
while trying to save his wife from
the flood last Wednesday died here to-
day.

Mayo Tolman, state sanitary en-
gineer, with two assistants entered
the valley today in hopes of prevent-
ing a typhoid epidemic. They took
1500 units of anti typhoid serum and
the inoculation of persons living in
the valley will be carried on by phy-
sicians already there.

Reports from the military who had
scoured the valley were said to be
satisfactory. Supplies of food and
clothing sent from Charleston will
afford relief until the people are
able to care of themselves.

A number of men, it was stated, are
refusing to aid in the work of rehabi-
tation even when pay is offered.

Ask Federal Relief For Flood Victims

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Senator
Chilton today introduced a bill to ap-
propriate \$200,000 for the relief of vic-
tims in the recent Cabin Creek flood.
It was referred to appropriations com-
mittee.

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania
suggested facetiously that amendment
be added to appropriate \$500,000 for
Pittsburgh, which suffered from re-
cent thunder storms.

Senators Attack the Shipping Bill

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Senator
Weeks today continued his attack on
the shipping bill assailing the pro-
vision which will admit foreign built
vessels to American coastwise trade.

"This bill constitutes a virtual de-
claration of war by the government on
the American shipbuilding industry,"
said Senator Gallinger, who also
spoke. It determined attempt to
force the government into the commer-
cial shipping business is a startling
and dangerous step toward socialism.

Another Slash in Ohio Oil Prices

(By Associated Press.)
FINDLAY, Aug. 14.—The Ohio Oil
company today made a five-cent re-
duction on six grades of oil and 20
cents on Plymouth.

The new prices are N. & S. Lima
\$1.43; Indiana \$1.28; Wooster \$1.65;
Illinois and Princeton \$1.47; Plymouth
\$1.18.

Frost Reported in the Alleghenies

(By Associated Press.)
CUMBERLAND, Aug. 14.—Reports
from Deer Park and other points in
Alleghenies this morning tell of a
dripping temperature to 30 degrees.

The frost resembled light snow. A
considerable damage resulted.

INSTITUTE TEACHERS.

Walter Barnes, of the Fairmont Nor-
mal school, left today for New Cum-
berland, Hancock county, where he is
an instructor in the Hancock county
institute this week. Superintendent
O. G. Wilson, of the Fairmont city
schools, is in Sutton this week as a
teacher in the Braxton county in-
stitute. Geo. H. Colebank, of the Fair-
mont High school, is a teacher in the
Glimmer county institute at Glenville
beginning this week.

High Lights on European War

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 14.—Rus-
sian forces in the Caucasus and in
Persia are pressed back further, fol-
lowing the recent advances won on
both fronts by Turks according to
War office statement under date of
August 13.

PARIS, Aug. 14.—French troops cap-
tured some trenches on the left of the
Pay-Danleucourt road in the Somme sec-
tor last night. There was British
cannading in the region of Maurepas.
German attacks in the vicinity of Hill
304 and at Fleury in Verdun sector
were repulsed.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 14.—Along the
Galician front the Russian sweep con-
tinued unchecked, the War office said
today. Further gains have been made
on the upper Sereth. In the region
of middle Stripa the Austrians are
being pursued by Russians who reach-
ed the north bank of the Dniester be-
fore Mariampol.

ROME, Aug. 14.—Italian troops con-
tinued pressing the Austrians back on
the Carso plateau, and east of Hill
212 pierced another strong line. About
800 prisoners were taken by the Ital-
ians.

WEST VIRGINIA BOY FOUGHT WITH SCOTS

Plucked Out of Trenches in
Flanders He Worked
Way Home.

(Spec. Dispatch to West Virginian)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Hugh
Walker Peck, just turned twenty-one,
was due to dock in New York on Sat-
urday. He is a Bluefield boy, and he
is expected to have stories to tell of
fight with the British. He was hand-
ed \$50 by a customs officer when he
disembarked. Congressman Edward
Cooper having, at the request of the
young soldier's father, arranged that
also, it was Mr. Cooper who arranged
to get young Peck out of the British
army. Through the State depart-
ment, Mr. Cooper located Peck, se-
cured his discharge and had called
him money, but the boy never got the
money. Consequently, he got a job
on a ship and worked his passage to
New York.

Young Peck ran away from home
two years ago and enlisted in the Brit-
ish army. He was with the Scottish
Fusiliers, and that crack regiment
has seen about all there is to see in
the way of modern warfare. His fam-
ily didn't know what had become of
young Peck, but had their suspicions.
They asked Congressman Cooper to
test it out, and he did. Young Peck
was located in the trenches at the
Flanders front. Being under age—he
did not become of age till July—there
was no trouble in securing his release.

HUGHES WILL TALK TO WOMEN VOTERS

Meeting For Their Special
Benefit On Program
For Today.

(By Associated Press.)
SPOKANE, Aug. 14.—Charles E.
Hughes today expects to spend one of
the busiest days of his campaign trip.
He was up early to lead an auto pa-
rade, arranged so that those who are
unable to attend the two later meet-
ings could see him. His afternoon pro-
gram included a motor trip to Cour
d'aine, Idaho, 25 miles away. There
he is to address a open-air meeting.

Two speeches are on the program
here the first at 3:30 p. m. is to be
a meeting for women voters only; the
second at 7:30 p. m. is to be a gen-
eral meeting.

Mr. Hughes will leave thereafter for
Tacoma.

Mrs. Pearl A. Clayton Dies at White Day

Mrs. Pearl Adeline Clayton, aged
24 years, wife of Charles B. Clay-
ton, died this morning at the home of
her father, Simeon Thomas Smith, at
White Day, after an illness of pneu-
monia fever. A few weeks ago Mrs.
Clayton went from her home in this
city to the home of her father where
her death occurred. She is survived
by her husband who has been employed
for three years with the Troy laun-
dry company, one daughter, Margaret
Virginia, aged three weeks and one
sister, Miss Maud Smith.

The funeral will take place on Wed-
nesday morning at eleven o'clock and
interment will be made in Mt. Zion
cemetery. Rev. John Brown, pastor
of the Palatine Baptist church, will
conduct the funeral services. Under-
taker Fred Jenkins has charge of the
funeral arrangements.

More Vessels Sunk In Mediterranean

LONDON, Aug. 14.—It is announced
today that the Italian steamship
Nereus, the Italian sailing vessel Dina
and the French sailing vessel St. Ga-
can had been sunk. The Nereus sailed
from Newport News July 19 and
passed Gibraltar August 7.

BAPTIST PICNIC

The First Baptist Sunday school is
to picnic at Ices Run tomorrow. The
party will leave Fairmont on the three
o'clock car and will get off at Ices
Run station instead of Woodland park
as was first planned. This point is
close to the sugar camp and swim-
ming hole.

Cool Weather Records for Aug. Broken

NEW YORK, August 14.—This is
the coolest August 14 in the history
of the weather bureau.

Only once in 1879 was it cooler
on any August day than at six this
morning when the mercury stood
at 56. The temperature rose slowly,
reaching 69 at 11:30.

Bathing beaches and summer re-
sorts lost their popularity. The cool
wave will remain indefinitely, the
weather bureau says.

NEW CIVIC MOVEMENT IS ORGANIZED BY FAIRMONT'S LEADING BUSINESS MEN

Spirit of Community Enterprise and
Cooperation is Born at Meeting
Held Saturday Afternoon

COMMITTEES NAMED TO MANAGE DETAILS

Much Enthusiasm Is Shown And All Pledge Earnest Sup-
port in the Movement—Work Will Be
Begun at Once.

"Fifty thousand people in Fairmont
within five years."

That was the goal set at the meet-
ing of 150 of the foremost citizens held
Saturday afternoon in the Watson
building, and before the gathering ad-
journed an organization which it is
confidently believed will "make good"
was set up.

It has been a long time since an
equal amount of genuine enthusiasm
and a more complete spirit of concord
has been shown at a gathering of Fair-
mont citizens and at its conclusion
even the most enthusiastic concurred
heartily in the opinion that Fairmont
is on the eve of a new upward move-
ment—industrial, commercial and civ-
il—which will transcend in import-
ance anything that has occurred in
the past.

Every citizen of Fairmont is ex-
pected to take part in this movement,
and every one at the meeting pledged
loyal and active support. In order
that definite direction may be given
to all this energy and to guard against
possible duplication of effort the fol-
lowing committees were appointed:

Executive Committee—C. W. Watson
(chairman) H. L. Heintzelman,
J. M. Hartley, O. S. McKinney, Z. P.
Davis, H. J. Ross, W. J. Wiegell, E. C.
Jones, M. L. Hutchinson.

Real Estate Development Committee—
Sam R. Nuzum, (chairman) R.
T. Cunningham, C. D. Robinson.

Wholesale Committee—J. M. Jacobs
(chairman) C. H. Jenkins, J. T. Wat-
son, W. H. Martin, A. L. Lehman, E.
B. Moore, John P. Hart, A. Harrison,
J. H. Rowland.

New Industries Committee—Geo. T.
Watson (chairman) Anthony Bowen,
F. R. Speed, J. L. Hall, Fred Helmick,
T. I. Brett, T. W. Fleming, C. S. Illeg,
C. E. Hutchinson.

**Enlargement and Expansion of
Present Industries**—T. L. Burchinal,
(chairman), A. Brooks Fleming, Jr., G.
E. Amos, C. W. Evans, O. A. Wood,
Trey Nutter, Bert S. Leopold, Har-
vey Shaw, Murray Dickerson, T. W.
Arnett.

Immigration Committee—Marion
Meredith (chairman) J. L. Erwin,
Merle Amos, C. L. Shaver, F. R. Ly-
on, M. A. Joliffe, Harvey Shaw, W. A.
Lawler, T. A. Nell, F. P. Kelley.

Publicity Committee—Odel McKin-
ney (chairman) J. C. Herbert, M. C.
Lough, Ernest Bell, Frank Raymond,
Brooks Hutchinson, F. E. Nichols, J.
G. Smythe, E. C. Frame.

Finance Committee—Walton Miller,
(chairman) J. M. Brownfield, M. A.
Fletcher, J. C. Hall, Hugh F. Smith,
H. S. Lively, R. M. Hite, J. Walter
Barnes, Geo. M. Alexander, James A.
Meredith.

Good Roads Committee—H. W. Sho-
water (chairman) Geo. Lilly, C. D. Con-
oway, C. O. Henry, Will Mason, Ed. H.
Taylor, Glenn F. Barnes, F. R. Clel-
land, Z. W. Morgan, W. B. Ice.

Traffic and Rates Committee—Dun-
can Sinclair (chairman), James O.
Watson, M. M. Neely, Walter Corbin,
C. W. Robinson, John Kinsner, Harry
B. Clark, Homer Hall, Smith Hood, W.
H. Conaway.

River Traffic Committee—J. M.
Black, (chairman) A. C. Lyons, Rollo
Conley, W. H. Spedden, Earl Smith,
W. F. Haney, Carl Rippe, W. H. Sands,
H. J. Hartley, Edwin Robinson, W. E.
Watson, Jr.

Even this preliminary meeting indi-
cated that a new spirit of civic con-
sciousness and of the time is ripe for
a real effort and instead of aimless
talk which led to nowhere in particu-
lar the remarks made were crisp and
to the point and definite action was
taken upon every matter that demand-
ed action at that time.

The meeting was presided over by
Senator Clarence W. Watson who out-
lined briefly the idea he and the
men who had been in conference with
him had in mind. He said that Fair-
mont has arrived at a period in its
history when the business men should
organize for the purpose of acting to-
gether in a large way to promote the
growth and material prosperity of the
community. To do that successfully,
money, definite plans and thorough-
going co-operation are necessary. There
are many opportunities but in or-
der that Fairmont may realize the
full benefit of them there must be
organization and determination to
make this the most important city in
this section of the state.

During the course of the meeting, re-
marks of the same tenor were made
by a number of other gentlemen prom-
inent in the business and professional
life of the community. Early in the
meeting a committee consisting of
George M. Alexander, O. S. McKin-
ney, W. J. Wiegell, H. J. Ross and J.
M. Jacobs was appointed to outline
a plan for organization. This com-
mittee made the following report:

Your committee recommends
that a general committee be
known as an executive com-
mittee be created together with the
following special or auxiliary com-
mittees: Real estate development,
wholesale, new industries, enlarge-
ment and extension of present
industries, immigration, publicity,
finance, good roads, traffic and
rates, river traffic.

The executive committee to
have general direction of the work
of building up and developing this
city, locating new industries, en-
larging and extending present in-
dustries, making provision for fi-
nancing the work of extending
and enlarging present industries
and locating new ones, and pro-
viding real estate upon which to
locate such industries.

To have general supervision of
the work of the special com-
mittees, define their duties, fill
vacancies in such committees
and provide new committees and
specify their duties.

To provide for the organization
or incorporation of such body or
corporation as may be deemed
necessary to secure and have
available real estate as sites for
new industries and upon which to
erect dwellings for persons em-
ployed in or connected with such
industries.

And in general to have super-
vision and direction of the work of
enlarging, improving and build-
ing up this city.

The report concluded with the
names of the men selected for the
various committees. It met with in-
stant approval and was adopted un-
animously without a single change.

It was apparent from the remarks
of the men who spoke at the meeting
that the committees will go right to
work. There are a number of details
plans which will be thrashed out at
once and then the stage will be clear-
ed for a long pull and a strong pull
for the new Fairmont which is going
to make a bid for fame with its spirit
of community enterprise and concord.

Among those in addition to Sen-
ator Watson who spoke at the meeting
and gave personal pledges of co-op-
eration were such leaders of commu-
nity thought as J. Walter Barnes, J. M.
Hartley, Anthony Bowen, Sam R.
Nuzum, H. S. Lively, R. T. Cunn-
ingham, J. M. Jacobs, O. S. McKinney,
W. J. Wiegell, Frank P. Kelley, Gor-
ernor A. B. Fleming, J. M. Black, J.
A. Meredith, Charles W. Robinson,
Clyde S. Holt, Bert S. Leopold, H. J.
Ross, Thomas I. Brett, C. W. Evans.

The Weather.

West Virginia—Fair and warm,
night and Tuesday.

LOCAL WEATHER READINGS

F. P. Hall, Observer
Temperature at 8 a. m. today 52.
Yesterday's at 8 a. m. today 52.
Temperature, maximum 77; minimum 49; pre-
cipitation none.

WANTED.

Six stonemasons at
Ida May Mine. Apply to
Supt. for John M. Kis-
ner and Bro. at Ida May

NOTICE.

Consumers of city water are not-
ified that an impure condition in
the water prevails at this time and
boiling water for drinking pur-
poses is recommended by the City
Health department. The impurity
will probably be corrected within a
week.